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SUBJECT: CRAWFORD AND THE WOODBRIDGE TWO

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1. THERE IS NO DOUBT IN OUR MINDS THAT THE SOVIETS
ARRESTED CRAWFORD IN RETALIATION FOR OUR ARREST OF THE
WOODBRIDGE TWO, AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT THEY SEE THE TWO
CASES AS LINKED BY THE RELEASE OF THE PRISONERS TO THEIR
RESPECTIVE AMBASSADORS. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE
AGAINST CRAWFORD'S AND USG'S INTERESTS TO FORGE FURTHER
THE LINKAGE AT THIS TIME AS SUGGESTED PARA 4, REF A.

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2. WE ARE, OF COURSE, GREATLY CONCERNED BY THE CONTINUING
HARASSMENT OF CRAWFORD AND ARE CONSIDERING WHAT FURTHER
STEPS MIGHT BE TAKEN HERE TO CORRECT THE SITUATION.

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